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To the Intent that no Perſon may, through Ignorance of the Law, incur the Puniſhment enacted by the Act of Parliament herein after ſet forth, it is thought proper to inſert the ſame at large in this Gazette.

Anno Nono Georgii II. Regis.

An Act to prevent the Liſting his Majeſty's Subjects to ſerve as Soldiers without his Majeſty's Licence.

WHereas divers of his Majeſty's Subjects have been of late ſeduced to enliſt themſelves to ſerve as Soldiers under foreign Princes, States, or Potentates, which Practice is highly prejudicial to the Safety and Welfare of this Kingdom; for Remedy thereof, be it enacted by the King's moſt excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That if any Subject of the Crown of Great Britain, from and after the Twenty Fourth Day of June next, ſhall, within the Kingdom of Great Britain or Ireland, or from and after the 29th Day of September next, without the ſame, enliſt or enter himſelf, or if any Perſon ſhall procure any Subject of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, to enliſt or enter himſelf, or hire or retain any Perſon being a Subject of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, with an Intent to cauſe ſuch Perſon to enliſt or enter himſelf, or procure any Perſon being a Subject of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, to go beyond the Seas, or embark with an Intent, and in order to be enliſted to ſerve any foreign Prince, State, or Potentate, as a Soldier, without Leave or Licence of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, firſt had and obtained, for enliſting any of the Subjects of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, to ſerve any ſuch foreign Prince, State, or Potentate, as Soldiers, under the Sign Manual of his Majeſty, his Heirs or Succeſſors, every ſuch Perſon ſo offending, being thereof lawfully convicted, ſhall be taken, deemed, and adjudged to be guilty of Felony, and ſhall ſuffer Death as in Caſes of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy.

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